

HOUSE BILL No. 1145

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 36-9-25-3.

Synopsis: Board of sanitary commissioners. Provides that the board of sanitary commissioners in a second class city (other than a city in Lake County or LaPorte County) that establishes a department of sanitation may consist of not less than three or more than five members.

Effective: July 1, 2007.

Kersey

January 11, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government.

C
o
p
y



Introduced

First Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2007)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2006 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

HOUSE BILL No. 1145

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 36-9-25-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.175-2006,
2 SECTION 21, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 3. (a) A department of public sanitation is
4 established as an executive department of the municipality. However,
5 in the case of a district described in subsection (b)(2), the department
6 is established as an executive department of each municipality in the
7 district.

8 (b) The department is under the control of a board of sanitary
9 commissioners, which is composed as follows:

10 (1) If the department is established under section 1(a) of this
11 chapter, the board consists of not less than three (3) but not more
12 than five (5) commissioners. All of the commissioners shall be
13 appointed by the municipal executive, unless one (1)
14 commissioner is the municipal engineer. Not more than two (2)
15 of the commissioners may be of the same political party, unless
16 the board consists of five (5) commissioners, in which case not
17 more than three (3) may be of the same political party.

2007

IN 1145—LS 7477/DI 87+



C
o
p
y

(2) Notwithstanding subdivision (1), if the department is established under section 1(a) of this chapter and the district contains at least one (1) city having a population of less than one hundred thousand (100,000) and at least one (1) town, the board consists of one (1) commissioner from each municipality in the district. The executive of each of those municipalities shall appoint one (1) commissioner. If after all appointments are made the board has fewer than five (5) commissioners, the executive of the municipality with the largest population shall appoint the number of additional commissioners needed to bring the total to five (5). Not more than three (3) of the commissioners may be of the same political party.

(3) If the department is established under section 1(b) of this chapter, the board ~~consists of three (3) commissioners. Two (2) commissioners shall be appointed by the city executive and one (1) commissioner is the city civil engineer.~~ **consists of not less than three (3) commissioners but not more than five (5) commissioners. One (1) commissioner is the city civil engineer. All other commissioners shall be appointed by the city executive. Not more than two (2) of the commissioners may be of the same political party, unless the board consists of five (5) commissioners, in which case not more than three (3) of the commissioners may be of the same political party.** However, if the department is located in a county having a population of:

(A) more than one hundred five thousand (105,000) but less than one hundred ten thousand (110,000);

(B) more than one hundred ten thousand (110,000) but less than one hundred fifteen thousand (115,000);

(C) more than one hundred forty-eight thousand (148,000) but less than one hundred seventy thousand (170,000); or

(D) more than one hundred thirty thousand (130,000) but less than one hundred forty-five thousand (145,000);

and the city does not have a city civil engineer, ~~the third commissioner shall also be appointed by the executive. The third commissioner; however,~~ **one (1) of the commissioners** must be a licensed engineer, **appointed by the executive**, with at least five (5) years experience in civil or sanitary engineering. In addition, in such a city the commissioners may not hold another public office. Not more than two (2) of the commissioners may be of the same political party, **unless the board consists of five (5) commissioners, in which case not more than three (3) of the**

C
o
p
y



commissioners may be of the same political party.

(c) Before beginning the commissioner's duties, each commissioner shall take and subscribe the usual oath of office. The oath shall be endorsed upon the certificate of appointment and filed with the municipal clerk.

(d) Each commissioner shall also execute a bond in the penal sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) payable to the state and conditioned upon the faithful performance of the commissioner's duties and the faithful accounting for all money and property that comes under the commissioner's control. The bond must be approved by the municipal executive.

(e) The appointed commissioners are entitled to a salary of not less than three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3,600) a year during actual construction and not less than six hundred dollars (\$600) a year in other years.

(f) Notwithstanding IC 36-1-8-10, whenever this section requires that the membership of the board of sanitary commissioners not exceed a stated number of members from the same political party, at the time of appointment the appointee must:

- (1) have voted in the two (2) most recent primary elections held by the party with which the appointee claims affiliation; or
- (2) if the appointee did not vote in the two (2) most recent primary elections or only voted in one (1) of those elections, be certified as a member of the party with which the appointee claims affiliation by that party's county chairman for the county in which the appointee resides.

**C
O
P
Y**

